

Leabank Primary School



HE AKONGA MUTUNGA KORE

Newsletter

for

Friday 11th February 2022

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Greetings, Tena koutou, Kia orana, Talofa Lava, Fakalofa Lahi Atu, Malo e Lelei, Namaste, Hola, Ni hao, Xin chao.

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Term 1 - Week 2

VACCINATIONS

The vaccination of children is **entirely a parents decision to make.** **We DO NOT** ask you or your children about their vaccination status and **all are treated the same way.**



Our Public Health Nurses are here for their normal duties and will not be asking about vaccination status either. We will be supporting Counties Manukau Health and the Maunrewa Marae by informing parents of upcoming vaccination events at the Manurewa Marae as all local schools are but this is then up to parents to consider.

ENROLMENT FORMS FOR 2022

If you have a child starting school this year and have not already enrolled them, please call the school office to collect an enrolment form.

Please ensure you bring a copy of the birth certificate or child's passport, proof of address and plunket book or updated immunisation records.



UPDATING CAREGIVER DETAILS

A friendly reminder that if you have a new mobile number or have moved address, please contact the school office and update your details. This goes for your child's emergency contacts as well.



It is really important that we have up to date contact details should we need to contact you regarding your child or for an emergency.

SCHOOL FEES AND STATIONERY

School Fees will be **FREE** this year.

Stationery will be **FREE** to all students for the month of **February only**. All stationery will be delivered to your child's classroom. For students that will be enrolling and starting in March, you will have to pay for the stationery pack at the office.



SWIMMING

A reminder to all parents that swimming is compulsory for all students as it is part of our school curriculum. The importance of learning to swim and survive in the water is paramount. Please ensure your child brings appropriate swimwear to school on their allocated swimming days.

If for some reason your child is unwell and cannot participate in the swimming lesson, your child is required to bring a signed and dated note to explain the reason for not participating in swimming. We would appreciate your efforts and cooperation in this area.



DIGITAL LITERACY BASIC COMPUTER COURSE ONLINE

Available for our school community

Free online computer course available to our school community from Tuesday 15th - 1st March and purchase a new chromebook for you to keep at only \$60. We have an affordable Internet access of \$5 per month for 30GB for those who have no Wi-Fi at home.



Criteria: Ages 16-65yrs. Have NO Qualifications, less than 80 credits.

Call Julie Segi 021 0293 7189 or email to julies@leabank.school.nz to sign up now!

If you are in need of a Chromebook in your family. Come along and complete this program. WINZ can support those who need assistance with payments, contact me for more details. Sign up with your Full name and Date of Birth, these should match your Passport or Birth Certificate or your Driver's Licence.

UPCOMING EVENTS THIS TERM

Thursday 14 th April	-	End of Term 1
Friday 15 th April	-	<i>Good Friday</i>
Monday 18 th April	-	<i>Easter Monday</i>
Monday 19 th April	-	<i>Easter Tuesday</i>
Monday 25 th April	-	<i>Anzac Day</i>



Yours sincerely

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VACCINE BOOSTERS

One more important thing you can do to protect your whaanau is to get your vaccine booster.

You're eligible for a vaccine booster if you're aged 18 years or over, and received your second dose at least 3 months ago.

*People under the age of 18 are not yet eligible for booster vaccinations.

CONTINUE THE KOORERO

If you have any questions or concerns about COVID-19, your child's health, and the vaccine, it's important to keep the conversation going with someone who knows what they're talking about.

Talk to your doctor, a trusted health worker, or call the official COVID-19 Healthline on **0800 28 29 26**.



Helpful information
about vaccinating kids
aged 5 to 11

When we're considering what's best for the health of our tamariki, it's important that there are questions and koorero.

To do the best for our tamariki, it's important to get the best information, so here are some facts about COVID-19, vaccination, and our tamariki.

Consent is required

Children in this age group **must** have a parent, caregiver or legal guardian give consent. No child aged 5 to 11 can receive a vaccine dose without expressed consent.

COVID-19 is low-risk for most children

We're fortunate that for children, infection with COVID-19 generally has mild effects.

COVID-19 can still cause serious illness for some children

In very rare cases, COVID-19 infection can cause severe sickness in a child, sometimes requiring hospitalisation. This is more likely for children who already have health problems or other risk factors.

Vaccination protects our kids from that risk

For most kids, the serious risk of COVID-19 is very low, but we're offering the COVID-19 vaccine to all children over the age of 5, recognising that it is a safe way to make sure they have the best protection.

Check your concerns with a trusted medical professional

Talk about your child's individual needs and risks with a medical professional you trust. This could be your doctor, a nurse, or a health worker you know. They can talk about your child's health, and any risk factors that might make them more vulnerable to COVID-19.

The Pfizer vaccine for children is well-tested and safe

It's already been given to millions of tamariki around the world, and Medsafe New Zealand has checked and confirmed that it is safe for us to give it to our children.